

## STATE OF NEVADA

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION AND PUBLIC HEARING

Bureau of Air Pollution Control Web Posting Date: 10/03/11

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action and Public Hearing.

The Director received an application for a Class I Operating Permit-to-Construct (OPTC) AP1041-2806 (FIN A0394) from the following applicant:

Round Mountain Gold Corporation (RMGC) P.O. Box 480 Round Mountain, Nevada 89045

RMGC's Smoky Valley Common Operation (SVCO) is located in Nye County, Nevada, approximately 45 miles north of Tonopah on State Route 376. The project is located in portions of the following areas: Sections 1-3 and 10-15, T9N, R43E; Section 6, T9N, R44E; Sections 11-14, 23-26, and 34-36, T10N, R43E; Sections 4-8, 17-20, and 29-31, T10N, R44E; Sections 25 and 36, T11N, R43E; and Sections 28-33, T11N, R44E (MDB&M). The Director has prepared a tentative determination regarding the OPTC that, in brief, includes the following:

X RMGC proposes to add equipment and processes that will support its new Gold Hill expansion project. As such, the following equipment and processes are included in the draft OPTC: Existing and new gold refining equipment including induction furnaces, carbon kilns, electrowinning cells, and retorts; ore crushing and conveyance equipment; a variety of lime silos; portable standby diesel generators; and a gasoline storage and dispensing tank. Non-Permit equipment includes several small volatile organic liquid storage tanks and building heaters.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Director is hereby announcing his intent to issue the Class I Operating Permit-to-Construct based on a review of the information submitted. A copy of the draft permit will be available for public inspection at the following location:

## P.O. Box 449 Tonopah, NV 89049

Pursuant to NAC 445B.3364, the Director is providing this notice of a Public Hearing on the proposed action. The public hearing will be held on Monday, November 7, 2011 in Carson City, Nevada at 1:00 PM at the following location:

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
RICHARD H. BRYAN BUILDING - TAHOE HEARING ROOM
SECOND FLOOR
901 SOUTH STEWART STREET
CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89701

The application, draft permit, and other relevant information may be obtained or made available for review at the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Pollution Control, 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada 89701 by contacting Pat Mohn, P.E. at 775-687-9345 (775-687-6396 FAX), or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:pmohn@ndep.nv.gov">pmohn@ndep.nv.gov</a>. Written comments related to the proposed action will be received by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection at the same address until the close of the public hearing on November 7, 2011.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all interested persons.